

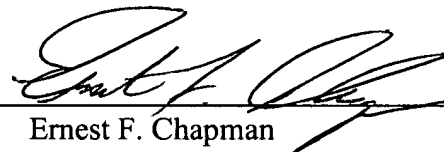
The examiner is respectfully requested to consider the above preliminary amendment prior to examination of the application.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this preliminary amendment, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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**APPENDIX TO THE PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend claim 135 as follows:

135. (Amended) A carrier medium storing instructions for controlling a processor  
to control a machine according to any one of claims 98 to 113 or  
[119] 129 to 131.

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